#### § 145.57

or restricting entry of unlicensed importations of articles directly or indirectly from certain designated countries shall be detained until licensed or the question of its release, seizure, or other disposition has been determined under the Foreign Assets Control or Cuban Assets Control regulations (31 CFR parts 500 and 515) (See also 19 CFR 12.150).

[T.D. 73-135, 38 FR 13369, May 21, 1973, as amended by T.D. 96-42, 61 FR 24889, May 17, 1996]

### § 145.57 Regulations of other agencies.

Certain types of plants and plant products, food, drugs, cosmetics, hazardous or caustic and corrosive substances, viruses, serums, and various harmful articles are subject to examination and clearance by appropriate agencies before release to the addressee (see part 12 of this chapter).

## § 145.58 Other restricted and prohibited merchandise.

Other restrictions and prohibitions pertaining to certain types of imported merchandise are set forth in part 12 of this chapter and are applicable to importations by mail.

### §145.59 Seizures.

- (a) Articles prohibited and contrary to law. All mail shipments containing articles the importation of which is prohibited, or articles imported into the United States in any manner contrary to law, shall be seized or detained as appropriate and held by Customs officers for appropriate treatment, except for certain articles which will be handled by the Postal Service as specified in §§ 145.51 and 145.52.
- (b) Notification of seizure or detention. In all cases where articles are seized or detained by Customs officers, the addressee shall be notified of the seizure or detention, of the reason for such action, and, if appropriate, of his right to petition for relief (see part 171 of this chapter).

### Subpart F—Exportation by Mail

# § 145.71 Exportation from continuous Government custody.

(a) *Relief from duties*. Merchandise imported into the United States, unless

nonmailable, may be exported by any class of mail without the payment of duties, if:

- (1) The merchandise has remained continuously in the custody of the Government (Customs or postal authorities); and
- (2) The mail articles containing such merchandise are inspected and mailed under Customs supervision.
- (b) Waiver of right to withdraw. Waiver of the right to withdraw the mail article from the mails shall be endorsed on each mail article to be so exported and signed by the exporter.
- (c) Export entry or withdrawal required. An export entry in accordance with §18.25 of this chapter or a warehouse withdrawal for exportation in accordance with §144.37 of this chapter, whichever is appropriate, shall be filed for merchandise being exported under this section, except for merchandise imported by mail which is either:
- (1) Unclaimed or refused and being returned by the Postal Service to the country of origin as undeliverable mail: or
- (2) For which a formal entry has not been filed and which is being remailed from continuous Customs or postal custody to Canada.

[T.D. 73–175, 38 FR 13369, May 21, 1973, as amended by T.D. 73–175, 38 FR 17470, July 2, 1973; T.D. 78–102, 43 FR 14455, Apr. 6, 1978]

# §145.72 Delivery to Customs custody for exportation.

In certain cases where merchandise has not been in continuous Government custody, delivery to Customs custody is appropriate before exportation by mail, as set forth in the following sections of this chapter:

- (a) Section 10.8 (articles exported for repairs or alterations).
- (b) Section 10.9 (articles exported for processing).
- (c) Section 148.33 (merchandise which was imported free of duty under a personal exemption, found to be unsatisfactory, and is being exported for replacement).
- (d) Section 10.38 (exportation of imported merchandise which was entered temporarily under bond).